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In re application of:

Dickensheets et al.

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For: *MINIATURE SCANNING CONFOCAL
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Group Art Unit: 2872

Examiner: Phan, J.

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION
REQUIREMENT**

Date: February 18, 1999

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Sir:

This is in Response to the Office Action mailed February 2, 1999 for the above-identified application.

In response to the restriction requirement made under 35 U.S.C. Section 121, Applicant hereby elects to prosecute claim 27 and the claims of Group I comprising claims 28-29 and 36-40. Claim 42 is not mentioned. However, it is submitted that it falls into Group I.

Applicant elects the species which includes a compliant constraining means, claim 39.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment of fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 06-1300 (Order No. A-62591-3/AJT).

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